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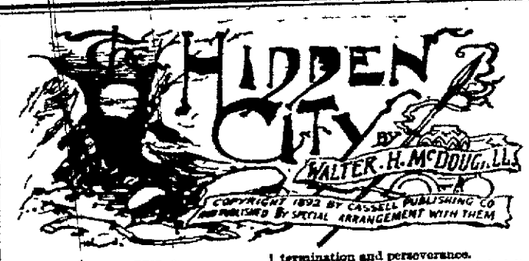

CHAPTER I.
THE MESSIAH.

The sun had just sunk behind the hills, leaving Evans Gulch in a soft shadow and its prominent citizens in a brisk discussion on the merits of an old map which Sheriff Woodruff had produced to confirm one of his statements. An old map it looked to be; greasy and marked by the fingers of hasty prospectors, almost as ancient in appearance as an Egyptian papyrus that had lain pressed closely to the bosom of a mummy for ages. Yet the sheriff had sworn by it for years, and he dared to produce it and lay it side by side with one of the government's newest, that was almost as unintelligible from its plexus of red, blue and green lines, dots and specks, squares and circles, figures and names.

The sheriff proudly stated that his map was made in thirty-seven, a fact that, for him, was proof of its virtues, for he believed that a map, like whisky, gathered a virtue with years. It showed vast vacant spaces marked "unexplored territory," and in spite of the fact that the chimneys in Leadville smoked in the distance, three miles away, where his reliable map showed an arid region, he still affirmed his faith in it. He had his supporters, three or four, who swore by the sheriff, and they stoutly backed him in his assertion that "there's just as many unexplored tracts in this 'ere country as ever—or nearly as many anyhow." Cale Whitley had the majority with him as with fervent gestures and few words he spread the new map, gaudy, butterfly like, on the faro table and said scornfully, "Put your thumb on a spot where there's no names of hills, towns, rivers or camps!" The sheriff, whose thumb was none of the smallest, would have found it a difficult task even had he essayed it, but he would not deign to bestow a glance upon the "circus chart" as he called the painted thing.

All Evans Gulch knew what this discussion was about It was an old subject and the new map had been produced as a clincher to Cale's oft repeated assertions that "the whole country was explored, and no use talkin'." A few of the least interested stood on the outskirts of the little gathering, half in the wide doorway, watching, with idle smiles that now and again broke into laughs as either disputant scored a point, the big quivering fat figure of the sheriff—his red brown face, covered with freckles, pursed up into oleaginous wrinkles as he listened—and Cale's wiry nervous form and excited eyes as he ran his thin, callioused hands through his long, leather colored hair The argument was emphasized punctuated and rounded out at frequent intervals by the most astonishing and unnecessary profanity

Remarks of a highly personal nature interlarded the discourse, and names and adjectives were applied with an unconscious natural freedom that would have amazed any one unused to Evans Gulch. But remarks as to one's morality, sanity, parentage or nativity, when applied as aids to the open discussion of a subject, were unnoticed in that locality, and were considered only as so many flowers of metaphor, brightening the dull path of logical argument. So Cale Whitley in applying to the sheriff the title of a "driveling old windbag," in nowise reflected upon his official capacity, and likewise, when the sheriff pointedly pronounced Whitley "an escaped lunatic from some eastern asylum," he did not in the least influence the opinion of his hearers, who knew Cale to be a good prospector and mineralogist and a man of varied accomplishments.

Standing nearest to the door, with his face turned upward toward the western sky, stood a lean, tall boy watching the golden light wear off the hilltops and turn leaden in the fading of the day. His face, which was neither dreamy nor bright, wearing rather a listless, tired look, suddenly filled with startled and fearful awe as speechless he raised his hand and pointed toward the sky. The man nearest to him, who had been an interested listener, catching the astonishment and terror in the boy's eyes, turned quickly, and a shrill shout escaped his lips. At the same moment a hoarse scream of many voices arose, and all hurried to the doorway to behold sweeping up the slope an object new to Evans Gulch.

It was a large silk balloon. The dying sun's rays, already lost behind the hills, fell on its sides, causing it to resemble a huge ripe pear hanging in the blue vault.

The basket had a solitary occupant, who was making signs to the people at the eastern end of the gulch to catch his anchor rope. They stood in amazed delight, however, and the monster came creeping along, the rope's end trailing up the street until Cale, seeing the object of the aerial voyager's shouts and signs, cried:

"Get hold of his rope, boys, and stop him!"

A moment more a laughing, rolling mass of men hilariously tumbled over each other in their efforts to seize the rope, like a lot of frolicking boys, and an instant later the giant mass swayed and trembled a few feet from the ground in front of "Keenan's joint."

The aeronaut, leaning from his basket car, directed them to draw him down, and alighted among them with a graceful word of thanks. He was a man of about forty-five, brown bearded, pale and scholarly, but there was a firm look in his blue eyes that bleached cheek and chin, and his mouth, when out, a trifle thin, but generous, gave evidence of determination and perseverance.

The first words of the aerial visitor after thanking "the boys" were earthly and fleshly.

"Can I get anything to eat here, gentlemen?" instinctively addressing Cale Whitley.

"The best in the land!" readily replied Cale. "Anything in reason from soda crackers to canvasback ham. We're out of whisky, but there's lots of beer in camp yet. Come in, stranger, while we tie your hoss."

This proceeding, however, the stranger directed and assisted in explaining that he feared lest unpracticed hands might cause the loss of precious gas. He then entered the building, a one story structure, with a very wide doorway, where the faro table, in full view of the street, occupied the central space, with many stools and narrow chairs scattered about.

The lean boy who had first espied the balloon had been dispatched to procure the guest some lunch, and he made such haste that he returned with it by the time the stranger had seated himself. Surrounded by the crowd of rough, long haired and bearded men he presented a striking contrast to them in his neat attire. Had he walked into Evans Gulch in a Norfolk jacket, knee breeches and a cork helmet it is highly probable that he would have met with a far different reception and been treated with the scorn and contempt of the entire population, as their own wild western way But his attire was befitting his advent, the first of the kind that the Gulch had been treated to, and the Gulchers saw nothing inappropriate in his costume

Balloons were unique so were balloonists' clothes, was the natural verdict, unspoken, almost unthought. Yet all eyed him curiously, while kindly, and waited impatiently the completion of his modest repast.

His wants were busy, too, roaming frankly from face to face in a way that somehow told them he was "sizing them up," as Cale expressed it afterward, glancing at the faro table, the specimens of quartz, porphyry, lead ores and carbonates upon the narrow shelf on the wall and the big broken roulette wheel in the corner, tilted up on its side to afford more room to eager gamblers around the faro table.

When he had finished Cale tossed the paper in which the lunch had been brought into the street and said "Now, stranger, let's hear your story This is the first time we've had a balloon up here, and we're naturally interested."

The stranger, with a good natured smile, looked around at the eager, toil hardened and sin hardened faces—many of them—and began

"My name is Pierce—H R. Pierce, of Chicago. I left Denver the day before yesterday in the balloon, and was carried south till near Colorado Springs, where the current changed and carried me northwest. I was compelled to remain in the car, the nature of the country not permitting an easy landing I am making an attempt to cross the continent in a balloon That is my story, gentlemen, all there is of it, and I thank you for your kindness."

Finding so tame an explanation of the phenomenon, most of the crowd soon dispersed.

Cale Whitley and the sheriff somehow felt themselves to be in a measure Pierce's hosts, so felt the impropriety of indulging in Eastern Gulch's only amusement while their guest refrained therefrom

When Pierce inquired for the hotel they both smiled loudly," and stated that the place had not risen to that dignity yet—fourteen saloons, nine faro banks a postoffice, a provision store (also a saloon) and a "lockup" constituted, apart from sundry quartz crushers, the entire borough, but they wished to "extend to him the hospitality of their own 'shanty'—the best in the place too

Thither they conducted him at once, seeing therein a way out of their dilemma for they both felt the agony of witnessing the game while being prevented from playing.

A long rambling conversation ensued, during which the characters of the two men unfolded themselves to Pierce's eyes, and he recognized their thoroughly practical American worth The sheriff was transparent, simply a big, good natured Jerseyman by birth, who had lived in various parts of the west since boyhood, having made several small fortunes, spent them and expected to make another—a type frequently to be found all over the continent. Cale Whitley was not so easily read He was more beneath the surface and was harder to get at, but Pierce had seen too many men of learning and refinement adrift in these western wilds to probe too deeply into any mystery he might imagine in Cale's past. He was content to find in them both materials that he might use. It was nearly on o'clock when he said

"I am here for a purpose in which you might, if you are inclined, aid me materially. It's rather a long story, but I will make it as short as possible."

He lighted his pipe, as the other two had done, and smoked a few minutes in silence, while they drew their chairs closer. Then he began:

"Two years ago I had a balloon made and left San Francisco in the month of June, with the wind taking us rapidly eastward. With me was a young man named Eric Gilbert. He was about thirty years old and one of the brightest men I ever knew. A linguist, a scientist, a mechanic, an artist; in fact he was possessed of more practical knowledge and cultivated accomplishments than any other man I have met; one of the most daring yet genial, good tempered fellows in the world. He was nearly six feet in height and weighed about a hundred and sixty pounds, and he was an athlete too. He could shoot well and ride well, just the kind of man in fact to undertake such an adventure as we meditated. It was to cross the continent to the Atlantic, and for a while all went swimmingly.

"We had crossed the Rockies successfully and were in the Wasatch range, or rather between the Wasatch and the Elk mountains, when the current, which had been almost uniformly westward for days, suddenly changed and carried us down toward Arizona. We were not alarmed, although our supply of water was somewhat scanty; yet the gas held us well, and we knew that we would strike water at intervals. We had on board when we started a dozen carrier pigeons, seven of which had already been released and returned home.

"We released one in the Elk mountains just before the current changed. We drove south all day, passing over the wildest and most magnificent canyon scenery at a high altitude, in a cloudless sky, until nearly sunset, when there came up a terrific storm.

"In spite of our attempt to rise above it we were hurled along with dreadful velocity and found ourselves nearing the earth rapidly and in danger of being dashed against the enormous cliffs of the canyons, whose cavernous depths yawned below us. The lightning flashed around us, and I feared every moment that the balloon would be set on fire. It became darker every moment, and nightfall found us very near the earth, making mighty bounds up and down, and driving along at the rate of a mile a minute. The anchor was thrown out, but failed to hold, the only results being to make the bounds and jerks more fierce.

"It was totally dark, and about eight o'clock at night the car was dashed against the ground with such force as to tear apart several of the ropes, throwing Eric Gilbert out, with all our instruments, the pigeon crate and ballast, in an instant. The loss of so much weight caused the balloon to rise at once and dash away again, going higher every moment. I was almost crazy and lost control of myself. I looked down, and I fancied I saw lights and dwellings down in the canyon, people and cattle running about when the lightning illumined the scene, but as I knew that it was an uninhabitable wilderness I laid it to excited imagination, and knew that poor Gilbert's bones would be whitening under the burning sun in a few days. It was impossible to help him. I could only hold on and let the balloon drive. It became frightfully cold, and I found that I had also dislocated my arm.

"After a time I became unconscious and fell to the bottom of the car, which was covered with ice. When I recovered consciousness I found myself in the hands of Mexican cattleman, on whose ranch the balloon had descended, near Albuquerque, New Mexico. I was with him for several weeks, very ill and delirious most of the time But I recovered and returned to San Francisco, where, to my surprise, I found that all but one of the carrier pigeons had returned before me. I heard nothing of Eric and naturally mourned him as dead, for no man could exist in the region three days. It is a waterless, burning, alkali desert.

"Now for the strangest part of my story

"One evening two weeks ago I observed a carrier pigeon, evidently a stranger, endeavoring to enter my coop, with a message fastened to his tail in the usual manner I went up and let him in and recognized him at once as the bird that had failed to return. My heart sprang up in my throat, and my hands trembled so that I could scarcely detach the message. It was written on some kind of a small skin and read thus, for here it is"

Pierce took from his pocketbook a white parchment and unfolded it upon the table. The others watched him with an intense gaze Then holding it up to the light he read

"H R. Pierce, San Francisco, California.

"If you are alive, help me. I am in a city of ancient people in a canyon, latitude thirty-two degrees thirty minutes, longitude thirty-two degrees thirty minutes west from Washington, as near as I can make it. There is no way of escape. The people know of no other world or race and believe me supernatural, and I am treated as a god. I have millions of dollars here in solid gold. It will pay a reward of a million dollars to any one who will help me to escape. The population is about twenty-five hundred I have learned the language and written a book that will make people's eyes open If this falls into the hands of any white man, for God's sake forward to H R. Pierce, San Francisco, or, if he is missing, send help to me at once. ERIC L. GILBERT

"Well, that's all there is of it. I am going to find him, and you are the kind of men I should like to have join me in the endeavor, for I believe he is alive I believe every word of this message. I should like to have you organize a wagon train and search for him while I make the attempt in the balloon. It is risky, I know, but it's a feeling that it will succeed. I believe that it was the same city that I saw as I was whirled through that night when we struck the cliff As I figure it, my friends, the location of this unknown city must be in the San Francisco river region, one of the most inaccessible places in the United States. It lies north of Fort Borne, where, I think, we might make our start, and is bounded by the Black river on the north, the Gila range on the west and on the east by the Rio Salarosa and the White mountains.

"Clifton is the nearest settlement, I believe, to this arid wilderness, and I find that the chances for a successful balloon search would be best if begun in that locality. The air current seems more steadily southwestern than otherwise, and I wish to start from there It is a tough country in which to travel, from all accounts, but I think we can overcome all difficulties, and the venture will pay us if successful I want to make a business proposition to you without calling for any feeling or sympathy on your part at all. I will give you each ten thousand dollars if we succeed in rescuing Gilbert, and five thousand if we fail after making all proper efforts. How does it strike you?"

Cale had already felt his blood stir with the spirit of adventure and had made up his mind long before Pierce ceased speaking, and as he concluded said emphatically:

"I am with you, heart and soul. It's just the kind of work I need, and I believe this old gas bag here is as anxious as I am to undertake the search."

The sheriff, slow minded, as most men of his size and kind are, was, however, as willing as Whitley, but he was older and more lethargic, more prone to see the difficulties, if not the dangers, than Cale, and, too, he relished the ease and comfort of the semi-civilization of Evans Gulch, preferring it to hard riding and hard sleeping on the sunburned plains. For him, however, the money considerations was the motive power; the prize was too glittering not to be worth an effort—such plums came in his way all too rarely nowadays—and he signified his assent by asking Pierce how soon he wished to start.

"At once," he answered. "Every moment is precious. While we idle here Gilbert may be in danger. I feel it in some way, and I am anxious to get to work"

Cale's mind had been busy for some time on the problem, and bringing out the new map was intently studying its lines, in which the others joined him.

Before them in imagination spread the desert of the San Francisco—only a little space upon the map, but full of the unknown and mysterious, surrounded by lines and dots, with oft heard, well known names printed beside them. It seemed impossible that there could be a city full of inhabitants in that little space and the world know nothing about it. But Pierce declared that few people had ever penetrated even the border land of this wilderness, and that it was extremely probable.

Not for an instant did these two men, shrewd and wily as they undoubtedly were, disappeared by the grinding of years of struggles, question his sanity or singleness of purpose. They somehow felt at once the honesty of his aim and object, and debated only the best measures to insure their success, and before they slept they had formed their plans.

A week later found them in Tombstone, Arizona Territory, putting up a wagon train—mules, horses and provisions—for the expedition. Another week and the big balloon swayed with yearning, like an imprisoned bird, to be away. An old man do, to himself the while. As the sky grew brighter and rudder with the dawn he could see that it and knew that the day was approaching, for he myriad sharply outlined themselves upon the roof, as if in answer to another person.

In a moment a second figure appeared, making up through a hatchway, and then joined him in a sympathetic, yet canny conference attitude. Then as the first figure stationed himself on the roof, stood the temple, the highest building of all, from the roof of which rose the smoke of the perpetual fire.

All about the outskirts, and also within the court, were pleasant gardens and fields cultivated to a high degree by irrigation. In places on the cliffs the terraces had been converted into gardens, walled and faced with neat masonry, and with raised edges to hold water upon the surface, to which the water pipes ran.

Through the outer walls of the houses projected for a foot or two the cedar poles forming the floors, and in some instances they were carried out far enough to form balconies, upon which green trailing plants with great scarlet flowers blazing in the spring sunlight in glorious rivalry of color with the burning cliffs.

In this great beehive dwelt two thousand souls, one family above another, the roof of one forming the floor and yard of the next above, the humblest dwelling in the highest tiers, for the nobles and wealthy citizens, as a matter of course, were averse to climbing and preferred to be near the ground, where opportunities for communion or display were greater.

All this lay before the young priest as he stood and strove with his emotions, and such was the scene that greeted Gilbert's eyes in the depths below him when he awoke from slumber.

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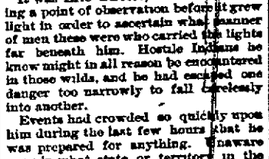

He could see nothing in the abyss below.

The beams of the morning sun had been slanting down on the level plain above Aztlan for an hour, but the city was still in deep shadow a thousand feet more below. Rosy tints appeared about the vermilion edges of the great cliffs, mingling with yellow and gray and saffron colored belts farther down, throwing into ghastly relief the white, castellated pinnacles of the fantastic sculptured wall and deepening the blackness of the dark recesses.

But there were people astir in the streets and fields and on the housetops, for the storm that had risen in fury during the night had wrought some damage to dwellings, and, it was feared, to the flocks in the pastures.

But no eye was directed toward the cliffs, for the sky was now clear, and no further disturbance was apprehended from that direction. Storms were few and far between in Aztlan; they raged on the plains at frequent intervals in springtime, but troubled not the dwellers in the deep canyon, who never took the pains to climb the steep cliff sides.

Had curious eyes peered upward they would perhaps have discerned a figure outlined clearly against the sky, but they could not have seen that it wore no Aztlan garb, and that it surpassed in height any Aztlan man, or that it bent forward and seemed to eagerly strive to penetrate the darkness of the canyon. Each early riser carred a torch and was too intent upon his errand to waste time gazing aloft, or he might have seen the figure slowly clambering down an ancient, rude pathway leading to the first terrace, where ruined cliff houses and caves, abandoned centuries ago, were the only evidences of former human occupation.

But the man on the heights had seen the moving torches, and up where he was it was light enough to easily pick his way.

It was Eric Gilbert, and he was seeking a point of observation before it grew light in order to ascertain what manner of men these were who carried the lights far beneath him. Hostile Indians he knew might in all reason be encountered in those wilds, and he had escaped one danger too narrowly to fall carelessly into another.

Events had crowded so quickly upon him during the last few hours that he was prepared for anything. Unaware even in what state or territory in the Union he had been thrown in the last wild bound of the balloon, he did not know what he might encounter, and though the craving for water and food began to assert itself he was resolved to let his caution govern his necessity.

He had gathered the instruments, which he had thrown in a heap near the edge of the cliff, and covered them with a blanket. They consisted of a small electric battery and lighting apparatus (an invention of Pierce's), a lantern, a thermometer and barometer, a camera and plate box holding a hundred instantaneous plates, some medical instruments in a case, a quadrant and a few other articles.

He carried his Winchester rifle in his left hand, a blanket thrown over his arm, and a carrier pigeon, whose broken wing hung limp and flapping, in his right hand, making his descent a matter of care. The light was growing stronger when the canyon where he reached a level shelf or terrace edged with a rough stone wall and lined with caves and cliff dwellings; caves whose mouths were built up in cyclopean masonry, leaving a narrow entrance to be reached by a ladder of rope or poles.

He felt the need of haste, although even yet he could see nothing in the abyss below, and finding a convenient opening into a cave close at hand, yet where he could overlook the depths, he laid down his burden and waited for the light to fill the canyon.

The flutter of the wounded bird aroused his pity, and he bound its wing to its side with a strip of his handkerchief and laid it upon his blanket, feeling a sort of companionship in its presence—a link with the outer world. Resting as he was from a long vigil and a long continued struggle, he stretched himself beside the bird and fell asleep.

Long before the sun rays upon Aztlan's plaza stirred upon the top of the highest building in the city, Montezuma arose in ethe, the colossus of stone. The figure moved with other, breathing shape from the cavern of the low walled housetop to the other as if from habit, although the freedom of years had loosened the customs into a toilsome journey.

He was Hiapot, the high priest of Aztlan, watching before the sacred, ever-inextinguishable fire of Huitzilopochtli, the sun god, which for centuries had burned and would burn forever.

Even in the half light of the coming dawn it could be seen that Hiapot was old and white, and though his figure bowed many an inch under the load of years, it was still erect and majestic. Time, that old cat, that will, if still erect and powerful and grateful form. Never on them he held his control hands over the languid fire to moisten its burning eyes, as old men do, to hasten the dawn.

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U. S. SENATOR J. E. KENNA, of West Virginia, died at his Washington home on Wednesday morning of this week at 3 o'clock of heart disease, aged 44 years. He was a man of fine intellectual attainments.

THE death of the great statesman, James G. Blaine, has been expected for days past, but as we go to press he is still living. Within the past week he has had several sinking spells, and at times the physicians have thought he would not survive an hour.

SENATOR GRADY, of Philadelphia, introduced a bill the first day of the present session to repeal the law providing for the collection of mercantile taxes. That tax is certainly one of the most unjust of all the taxes imposed upon the business interests of this State. It should be taken off.

THE Republicans of Bradford have made an excellent ticket for their support at the February election. Hon. E. A. Dempsey made a good record when mayor before and he should have the support of the better element of all parties at the coming election. His army record is one of the most creditable of all the old soldiers of the county and they should make it their business to give him a rousing vote for mayor at the coming election.

WE publish in another column an article from the *Buffalo Express*, headed "The Pipe Line War," the reading of which is enough to bring a tinge of shame to the cheek of every American citizen. It is a travesty on republican government for a company, which has robbed the oil producers of the country of hundreds of millions of dollars, to be able to stifle competition with their ill-gotten hoards. No wonder the men at the head of that gigantic robbery can give his millions to churches and educational institutions.

GEN. BENJ. F. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, died at his Washington residence on Wednesday morning of this week at 1:30 o'clock, aged 75 years. His remains were taken to Lowell, Mass., for burial. He was a general in the army, a Congressman several terms from the Lowell district, a Governor of Massachusetts one term and a lawyer of great ability. He ran for President on the Labor ticket in 1884 and the 5000 votes he received in New York city were stolen and counted for Grover Cleveland, which gave the latter a term of four years in the White House. Gen. Butler left an estate estimated at $7,000,000.

THE *New York Tribune*, referring to the fact that in the western legislative contests the Democrats and Populists are working together, says that this is precisely as it should not be, but for the Republican party it is a step towards future success. Perfectly understanding the dangerous character of the Populist movement, Democrats consent for the sake of a partisan success to give that movement power to do its miserable harm in the different States, and encourage it there with the prestige of partial success. This performance cannot fail to turn conservative and prudent business men in those States, and yet more in Eastern States, against the Democratic party, and to lessen their confidence in it as a possible agent for good. It is a curious evidence of the foolishness of the Populists that their votes in some of the State Legislatures, by aiding the Democrats to secure a majority in the Senate, may deprive their own Senators of the balance of power in that body.

AMONG the political gossip of the past week at Harrisburg it has been revealed that one of the coming candidates for the Democratic nomination for Governor in Congressman elect Joseph C. Sibley, of Crawford county. It has been stated that he is Mr. Harrity's own choice, such a statement being necessary in order to give anyone standing as a Democratic candidate. Mr. Sibley is a man of exceedingly clean politics, who was elected to Congress at the late election on half a dozen different platforms, the chief of which was boodle. Such a man may have a chance of success in a single Congressional district where there had been previously a great deal of politics and debauchery, but, it is a much different thing when it comes to spreading that sort of politics over the whole State. No doubt the Democratic machine would enjoy a boodle candidate, but the people never seem to. The nomination of the variegated Mr. Sibley would be encouraging, and if Secretary Harrity is not more than ordinarily clever during Cabinet positions no doubt he will be.—*Phila. Press.*

ASSISTANT-POSTMASTER-GENERAL Bissell, Washington, Ky., of Hamilton township, has been visiting friends in Michigan for several weeks past, and he made us a specimen of a handbill which was used up in that county in the interesting Democratic meetings during the late campaign. It simply shows the outrageous stuff which was used in hoodwinking the people with in the last week, and the results of the election prove conclusively that the desired effect was produced. The bill starts in with the following items:

[illegible] on all goods by Hoel Providence [illegible] Jesus Christ would put a tax on everyone."

[illegible] as follows:

JESUS WHO SAVETH OF THE NATION

[illegible] the merciless clutches of the [illegible] corruptors of Protective Tariff [illegible] there will be a meeting of [illegible] people at

HUMAN GROVE

ON

[illegible] Dec. 31, 1892, at 7:30 o'clock sharp.

[illegible] will be the principal [illegible] from the poverty brought [illegible] Harrison Manor by Class [illegible] are especially invited to [illegible]

CORRESPONDENCE.

We have received an anonymous communication, signed by "A Republican," in which the officer of this paper is taken to task because Republican officials persist in appointing Democrats to office in the Court House. A year ago we received complaining letters on the same subject, also anonymous, which we paid no attention to, because the names of the authors were not given. The letter before us is written by an intelligent person, and although it is closed with these words: "This is private and for you alone; please burn as soon as read," he justies to ourself we cannot pass it by unnoticed. Perhaps we should, had not many more complaints come to our attention on the same subject.

The reference the author makes to a Democratic Deputy Prothonotary and a Democratic Tipstaff is deserving of little notice. Mr. McElroy is entirely competent to answer for himself, and the Court can give good reasons, undoubtedly, for the appointment of Mr. Bishop. Certainly the editor of this paper is in no wise responsible for either appointment. After referring to these two appointments "A Republican" says: "For twelve years Republican County Commissioners have appointed a Democrat as janitor for the Court House at a salary of $600 a year. A Grand Jury once reported the Court House in filthy condition," is news to us. There is no denying the fact that Mr. Quinlisk has made an attentive and obliging official, and we believe the offices have been kept as clean as they would have been under any other man, but that is no reason why he should be retained in the position through life. A Republican should have been appointed years ago.

THE PIPE LINE WAR.

There is war again among the pipe line companies, with the Standard Oil company, as usual, in the role of obstructionist and general bulldozer. People who read the newspapers are fully have from time to time noted evidences of the battle, but a review of the situation at this time will be interesting. Some time ago the Producers' Protective Association, which is backed by English as well as American capital, started for the sea-board with pipe lines from the Pennsylvania oil regions, proposing to pipe refined as well as crude oil, which former is an entirely new venture. The company that had the line under its management is known as the United States Pipe Line company, of which Lewis Emery, of Bradford, is president. It has met with all sorts of opposition, but is going ahead for all that. It is claimed that both the Erie and the New York, Ontario & Western railroads entered into an agreement to allow this pipe line to cross their roads, but that when the Standard people put on the screws the Erie weakened. Among the stories that are told is one to the effect that the Erie agent at Bradford, however, told the pipe line people that there were no orders yet forbidding their crossing and they would do well to get across before the order came, which they did. The New York, Ontario & Western company, it is stated, reported that the Standard authorities had offered it $60,000, if it would keep the pipe line from crossing, but it stuck to the agreement and the line went across. A dispatch from Susquehanna, Pa., says that the Erie company has forbidden the United States company from crossing its line at that point. To add to the obstruction the Standard company has bought a small tract of bush land near Melrose on the Jefferson branch of the Erie. The buying of land to hold the pipe line back is the same style of tactics as that employed against the Tidewater Pipe line company a dozen years ago. There was then no pipe line law and right of way could not be obtained by legal process. At one point the Standard bought a strip of land across a whole county, but it was found that a breadth of 10 feet had been omitted and the Tidewater line was laid through it. After 1883, when the Tidewater company gave in and sold out to the Standard, the latter supposing itself to be the only concern that would hereafter need a pipe line law, obtained one from the State of Pennsylvania, which is now being used by the new company. It is said the United States company, in proposing to refine its oil in Pennsylvania where fuel is cheap and pipe it east afterwards, will if it succeeds in getting the Hudson river, be able to sell its product much cheaper than any that is refined in New York. There is prospect of a pretty fight yet before the new line is forced past the Erie.—*Buffalo Express.*

Travelers may learn a lesson from Mr. C. D. Coss a prominent attorney of Parker, Dakota who says: "I never leave home without taking a bottle of Chamberlain's colic cholera and diarrhœa Remedy with me, and on many occasions have ran with it to the relief of some sufferers and have never known it to fail." For sale by A. B. Armstrong, Druggist.

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SOMERSET COUNTY NEWS.

From our own correspondent.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 9th, 1893.—The legislature was organized, on Tuesday last, as indicated it would in my last letter, except that Jas. L. Brown, of Philadelphia, secured the Senate Journal Clerkship, made vacant by the promotion of Senator Reader from McKean county, to the floor of the Senate, and Mr. Fetterhoff, Montgomery county, secured the resident clerkship of the House instead of ex-Mayor Patterson who was slated from Dauphin county. In the House Mr. David Howells, of McKean county has secured a position in the posting and folding department of that body.

The Senate organization was completed without any friction and several important measures were introduced; two of them are reform measures "to abolish the present intricate and cumbersome machinery for managing the public schools of Philadelphia" and one requiring all fees in the City Treasurer's office to be turned into the State or City Treasurer's office." This latter measure it is argued will prevent any further Bardsley defalcations. Senator Pearose presented a bill "to abolish the Public Building Commission of Philadelphia." The new City hall was erected under this commission, which has already spent several millions of dollars about $16,000,000, and the dear people are becoming anxious and want to know something about the disposal of all this money; that is the "how, when and where" and as the commission won't let the public into the secrets of their accounts, and their confidences, a determined effort is to be made to abolish it and place the construction of all public buildings under the direction of the Department of Public Safety.

The Senate was practically through with its business by 2:30 p. m., and a recess of ten days was provided for in a concurrent resolution which was sent to the House for adoption.

In the House there was some excitement attending the organization by the printing of Mr. Andrews name on the rolls of the House instead of that of Mr. Higby, whose seat is contested by Mr. Andrews.

Mr. Higby was sworn in, on the strength of the returns sent in from the Secretary of the Commonwealth's office and Mr. Andrews was sworn in on the strength of a certificate of election granted him by the courts of Crawford county. Ex-Speaker Harry Boyer and Mr. Higby used the same Bible when sworn in.

At a later stage of the proceedings of the business of the House, Secretary of the Commonwealth Harrity appeared and presented a certified transcript of the proceedings of court in the case of Andrews vs. Higby, awarding the seat to Mr. Andrews. This record should have been sent in to the House at the same time that the official returns of the elections were sent in, but for some reason, best known to Harrity, they were withheld until after the organization and then the democracy made a fight to put Mr. Andrews in the position of becoming the contestant for the seat which the courts of Crawford county had awarded to him.

There was a party squabble on the proposition to have Higby's name printed on the rolls of the House, but it was defeated by referring the proposition and the certified court record to the committee on elections when appointed.

The governor's message was read, and it was a very long document and after making preparations to refer it to the appropriate committees when appointed, the concurrent resolution of the Senate for an adjournment of recess until January 12th at 4 p. m. was agreed to. During the debate in the House on the Andrews contest case, "Uncle" John Cessna, from Bedford county made an argument which brought forth loud and repeated applause from the democratic side of the House. It annoyed Mr. Cessna somewhat, but he quickly silenced the applause by saying "I must either be making a very bad speech or else it is misunderstood, for all of the applause is coming from the wrong side of the House." This had the effect of causing the democrats to pay on their thinking caps, and it then occurred to them that Uncle John was dealing in what Artemus Ward used to call, "sarcasm."

There were no unusual incidents worthy of note at the organization, except that there were many more disappointments among the seekers for place in subordinate positions than have been usual at the opening of a legislative session. There was an army of willing applicants for place who were anxious to serve the State for a consideration but there were more pegs than there were holes and consequently there were many disappointments.

In our local politics there is much stir and "there is blood on the moon." Col. W. P. Small was the conceded nominee for Mayor of this City on the Republican side, before the convention to make the nomination was held. At the convention Mr. Small lacked just one vote of receiving the nomination, because the other fellow got the vote that belonged to Mr. Small, and therefore got the nomination. There is much comment and very many ugly stories afloat as to the methods adopted to defeat Small, and if the rottenness left behind, is not heaved over, it is more than likely that Harrisburg will continue to be governed by a democratic executive.

There is other comment heard on the decision made last week in Pittsburg, by Chief Justice Paxson of the State Supreme Court, in which he sustains a decision of the lower court, wherein a newspaper publisher was convicted for selling a newspaper on Sundays. The case stated was for a violation of the Sunday law of 1794, and the Chief Justice sustains the decision of the lower court in a long opinion, but he plainly intimates that the Keystone State has long ago outlived the usefulness of that law. He closes his opinion as follows:—"The act of 1794 is a wise and beneficial statute and we would regret to see it interfered with. We must, however, be allowed to express the hope that too liberal an interpretation and enforcement of it may create an undercurrent that may lead to its repeal or at least serious modification. There may be such a thing as unnecessary zeal in invoking its penalties in extreme and

A COLD LEADS

[illegible] Those who think to compromise with consumption. Over one of those roads pass all that great multitude of people who die every year of consumption. Each route begins with health and happiness and ends with disease and death. They are described as follows: 1st road, a slight cold—neglected—settles in head or throat—chronic catarrh—extends to lungs—consumption—death. 2d road, a cold—neglected—cough—settles on lungs—cough gradually growing worse—consumption—death. 3d road, a cold—neglected—settles in the throat—hoarseness—short breath—consumption—death.

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" " $12 to 8.00
" " $15 to 10.00
" " $18 to 12.03
" " $25 to 16.67

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250 " " 200

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Foreclosure Sale.

SUPREME COURT—Allegany County. The Metropolitan Trust Company of the City of New York, Plaintiff, Against The Bradford, Eldred and Cuba Railroad Company, James D. Fish, as Trustee, Frank Townsend, Alonzo J. Thompson, Addie E. France, as Administratrix, etc., of James W. France, deceased, Augustus S. Wilds, E. C. Wilds, Walter R. Johnson, as State, &c. Wilds, Walter R. Johnson, as Receiver, etc., Defendants

Pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and sale rendered herein on the 30th day of July, 1892, and duly entered in the Allegany County Clerk's office on the 4th day of August, 1892, and also pursuant to a decree auxiliary thereto, rendered in the Court of Common Pleas, in the county of McKean, State of Pennsylvania, on the 6th day of September, 1892, and entered on the 6th day of September, 1892, and entered on the 6th day of September, 1892, and entered

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The MINER and *Scribner's Magazine* for 3 40.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce the name of W F Brooks as a candidate for supervisor of Keating township, subject to the decision of the Republican caucus.

The name of F D Ostrander is hereby announced as a candidate for Supervisor of Keating township, subject to the decision of the Republican caucus.

J M. Sanders announces himself as a candidate for Supervisor of Keating township, subject to the decision of the Republican caucus.

We are authorized to announce John L. Ellworth, as candidate for supervisor of Keating township, subject to the decision of the Republican party.

N. M. Sanders of Colo Creek announces himself as a candidate for supervisor of Keating township, subject to the Republican caucus.

John Hewitt is hereby announced as a candidate for Supervisor of Keating township subject to the usages of the Republican party

Editor MINER:—Please announce me as a candidate for supervisor of Keating tow ship, subject to the usages of the Republican party — W. I. MYER.

We are authorized to announce A T Mcnan bon as a candidate for supervisor of Keating township, subject to the decision of the Republican party

EDITOR MINER:—Please announce through the columns of your paper that I am a candidate for supervisor of Lorydon township, subject to the decision of the Republican caucus. L Lorydon, Jan. 9, 1892. S J BUTLER

—Bradford has the mumps.

—Civil court convenes next Monday.

—Are you still keeping your New Year resolutions.

—Where is the man that predicted an open winter.

—Try our excellent clubbing combinations for 1893

—"The Hidden City," is commenced in this issue Don't fail to read it.

—Sleighing parties are now on and Smethport's young people are right in it

—The lumbermen are taking advantage of the sleighing to get in their stock of logs.

—The "Merry Cobblers" will be at the opera house Friday evening of next week.

—Have you heard the Rev J J Berger sing, at the Baptist Church this week

—Plenty of snow now and except where it has drifted the sleighing is excellent.

—The Kane and Kendall creek correspondence were not received until Wednesday too late for publication this week

—The Jury Commissioners have been engaged for the past two weeks in filling the jury wheel and drawing jurors for coming courts.

—Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, falls on February 15 this year 15 days earlier than last. Easter Sunday falls on April 17

—The Model Church will be the subject of the discourse at the M E. church next Sunday morning, in the evening "Playing the Fool"

—County Auditors Liddell Hearl and Wells are at work on the audit of the books and accounts of the county A L. Hughes is acting as clerk of the board

—It is rumored that a couple of our local sports are in training for a prize fight, to take place at an early day The place has not, we believe, been determined upon.

—At the meeting of the State Teachers Association held in Reading it was decided to petition the Legislature to make music one of the studies in the schools of Pennsylvania.

—The social given by the young ladies of the Industrial League, at the residence of Mrs. A T Palmer, on Green street, last Tuesday evening was a very enjoyable affair

—The best definition of a "friend" ever given was recently printed in an English newspaper It is this "One who guards another's interests as his own, and neither flatters or deceives."

—At St. Luke's Church on Sunday next the third quarterly offering for Domestic missions will be received at the morning service. Choral Evensong at 3 30 and Epiphany anthems.

—The borough election draws nigh and while persons to fill the various offices are being discussed, remember that only those who are qualified and willing to discharge the duties should be elected.

—Our clubbing offer of the MINER and the great national paper, the New York *Tribune*, both for $1 25 per year, is bearing good fruit. Scores of new names have been added to our list, and still they come.

—On Tuesday evening next a substantial supper will be served from 5.30 to 7.30 by the Ladies Aid Society of the M E. Church, at the home of Mrs. Kidder, on Fulton street. Any one can avail themselves of this as a convenience or a little break in the monotony of every day eating at home.

—The Morning subject at the Baptist Church, next Sunday, at 10.30, will be "Break up Your Fallow Ground." Sunday school immediately after service Young People's prayer meeting at 6.30, leader Mrs. L. Taylor. Evening service at 7.30, subject, "What We Need." Special services next week.

—On the first page of this week's paper will be found the opening chapters of a great story by Walter H. McDougal, entitled "The Hidden City." It is a story of intense interest, abounding in thrilling incidents and dramatic effects. The MINER has secured the exclusive right of publication in this county. Our readers should not miss a line.

—Those who were not present at the M. E. Church on Sunday evening last missed a rare treat. The subject under discussion was "Ingersoll's Mistakes of Moses," a subject taken by request. The pastor, Rev. E. E. Hoke, was in the best possible form and his discourse was at once eloquent, able and exhaustive, and was thoroughly enjoyed by the large congregation assembled.

—Judge Mortimer was in Smethport last Friday.

—T. C. Wallace was up from Kinzua, Monday.

—Attorney F. B. Colcher, of Kinzua, had business at the county seat this week.

—T. F. Mattie, one of Bradford's rising young lawyers, was in town Tuesday.

—Dr. Burg Chadwick was in Ridgway, Elk county, this week, on a business mission.

—Sheridan Gordon left Monday for Pittsburgh on business connected with the A. O U W.

—Mrs. T. A. Morrison and daughter, Mamie, were visiting Bradford friends last Thursday

—Ralph Bartlett and Frank Liddicoat were guests of M. L. Bartlett, at Colegrove, last Sunday.

—John R. Chadwick of Bradford, was a caller at the MINER office Monday, while on a visit to his old home.

—Judge and Mrs. T. A. Morrison attended annual meeting of the Brookville Memorial Home trustees, held in Harrisburg last week.

—Lin Chadwick, who has been in Buffalo for the past four months, was shaking hands with his numerous Smethport friends Monday

—Misses Rose Klog and Bessie Shook, who have been spending the holiday vacations at their homes in this place, left Saturday for Pittsburg, where they are attending school.

—D. L. Knapp was in Bradford, a couple of days this week, and met with immense success in the sale of the patent sanitage foam, one of the newest and best things we ever saw, for which he has the agency

—Mrs D. Young gave an elegant tea to a dozen gentlemen of this town on Wednesday evening of this week, at her lovely home on Main street. Her husband was not included in the agreeable."

—Hon. L. Rogers and H. L. Burlingame drove to Kidred last Friday night and were present at the installation of officers of the Eldred G. A. R. Post. Mr Burlingame is the new Commander of McKean Post of this place, and it we are to judge from the manner in which he performed his duties Thursday evening of last week and the interest he manifests in the affairs of the order, a prosperous year has opened up for the local Post.

Republican Township Elections

Major Ira W Merrick, of Wellsboro one of the ablest lawyers of Northern Pennsylvania, recently furnished the *Advocate* of that place a synopsis of the Baker township law, so far as it relates to borough and township elections It is altogether the clearest digest of the law we have seen, therefore we publish it in full as follows:

EDITOR ADVOCATE

Replying to your request, please find below a brief statement of the provisions of the Baker act relating to borough and township elections:

1 The borough and township auditors are charged with the duty of preparing the lists and delivering them to the election board

2 The lists are made up ("as") from assessments made by assessors, from nominations papers.

3 If by caucus, the certificate of nomination shall be signed by the president and secretary of the caucus, who shall add their places of residence and an affidavit of the truth of what they certify and a certificate of such oath shall be annexed to the certificate of nomination.

4 If by nomination papers, the paper shall specify

First—The party which the candidate represents, expressed in not more than three words.

Second—The name of the candidate his occupation and residence.

Third—The office for which such candidate is nominated.

5 Such nomination papers must be signed by legally qualified voters of the district —and—[illegible] that three per cent[illegible] the largest entire vote for any office elected at the last preceding election in said election district.

6 Each voter so signing shall add his occupation and residence, and no person shall consent to be named in more than one nomination for each office to be filled.

7 Any political party which at the last preceding state election polled three per centum of the entire vote cast in the state may nominate by caucus for local election in any election district—though it may not have polled three per cent of the entire vote in that district

8 Any political party qualified to nominate candidates by caucus *fails to do so*, there may be as many candidates for each office placed upon the ticket, in the name of that party, as shall file proper nomination papers.

9 Certificates of nomination, and nomination papers must be filed with the auditors

10 At least ten days before the day of election

11 All objections to these papers must be filed within three days after the last day fixed for filing of certificates and nominations Objections as to form must be filed with auditors and decided by a majority of them All other objections must be filed in the court of common pleas.

12 The ballots of white paper, and uniform size, thicker paper, must be in the several form of those used at the election of November last, and seventy-five ballots of each kind for every fifty voters in the district, must be delivered to the judge of election, together with cards of instruction and assessor's lists of voters, to be furnished by the county commissioners.

13 It remains the duty of constables to [illegible] notices of elections.

14—The expenses of the elections are paid by the county

Yours truly,
GEO. W. MERRICK.

December 26, 1892.

Constitution of the Jury

Following is a list of the jurors drawn for the court of common pleas to be held in the court house in this borough, commencing Monday next, January 18.

Baird, John—Hamlin.
Bennett, Wm—Norwich.
Bowen, E. E.—Keating.
Brooks, W. F.—Smethport.
Brown, Wm. H.—Eldred.
Bunnell, Jesse—Lafayette.
Burt, Wm. H.—Hamlin.
Chesebro, John—Sergeant.
Crowley, Jas—Eldred.
Crowley, Thos—Eldred.
Cummings, Jas—Sergeant.
Cummings, Jas—Lafayette.
Cummings, Jas—Smethport, 4th ward.
Cummings, Jas J—Smethport, 3d ward.
Cummings, Jas—Smethport, 2d ward.
Cook, Wm—Smethport, 1st ward.
Cook, C. H.—Smethport, East Valley
Dewey, W. H.—Smethport, East Valley
Dewey, Jas—Smethport, 1st ward.
Evans, E. G.—Smethport, Coleville.
Evans, R. A.—Smethport, Mt. Head.
Evans, Jas—Smethport, Colo Creek.
Fitzsimmons, Wm—Smethport, 2d ward.
Gardner, C. D.—Norwich.
Gardner, E. L.—Smethport, 3d ward.
Gibson, Jas—Smethport, 4th ward.
Gibson, Wm—Smethport, 4th ward.
Kennedy, Wm—Smethport, W. Kane.
Kennedy, Jas—Smethport, W. Kane.
Kennedy, Wm—Mt. Jewett.
Kennedy, Jas—Mt. Jewett.
Lang, R. O.—Keating.
Lang, Chas—Smethport, Clermont.
Lang, Jas—Smethport, 2d ward.
Lang, Jas—Smethport, 1st ward.
Lang, Jas—Smethport, Burtville.
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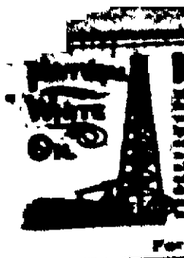

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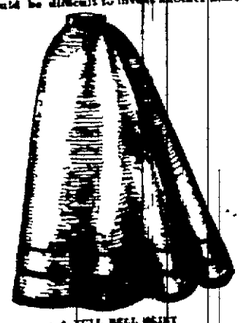
NEW DRESS SKIRTS.

The Very Full Skirts Imported on the Season's New Gowns.

The latest news of fashion in the dress world is that the new skirts are stiffened round the bottom with steel. This seems to be the universal preference of the critickins, but though skirts are very much fuller and more elaborately plaited, it is still doubtful whether hoops will ever really be the fashion again. French dressing gowns have become so full that they have (when of heavy material) to be made on foundation skirts instead of lining. It would be a pity for the pliable, light, lined skirt that has been worn this year to go out of vogue just awhile, for it would be difficult to invent another more



A BELL SKIRT

comfortable or easier to hold up in muddy weather It is therefore pleasing to know that as yet, while some of the new linens are cased in at the waist and so no longer moulded to the hips, most of the additional fullness that is put into them is kept to the back.

The cut shows decidedly the latest style in bell skirts. It hangs gracefully and the shape is round with a seam at the back. The skirt is width measures on the cross five yards. The three graduated bands give a somewhat distinctive air to this skirt, which is suitable for morning wear, as it just clears the ground. Below the waist are darts fitting the figure, with a few plaits in the center of the back This skirt promises also to be fashionable for young girls ball gowns.

Holiday Hairpins, Combs, Etc.

Holiday hairpins and hairdoodads are lovelier than ever, says one of the fashion writers Circular shell has ray shaped form and at the point of each is a diamond The three graduated bands with a diamond between and the points of intersection are among the prettiest The back comb is still doubtful whether it will be the fashion again. French dressing gowns have become so full that they have (when of heavy material) to be made on foundation skirts instead of lining. It would be a pity for the pliable, light, lined skirt that has been worn this year to go out of vogue just awhile, for it would be difficult to invent another more

Empire and Russian Modes.

Striped velvets are made up into pretty empire gowns with the flowered jackets, the sleeves of silk Black satin ribbon is applied to many of the skirts and carried through a few plaits at the ends Many of the serge gowns have jacket bodices ending in wide sashes, and there are several varieties of the Russian blouse One of these had three box plaits in the back and three in front of the bodice with a broad sash drawn through these box plaits. A full vest and a yoke of cloth appeared above them.

Bordered materials are once more to the fore, and everything that suggests Russian fashions is greedily accepted in Paris. Traces of the Muscovite are apparent in the brown, blue and other colored woolens which display a yellow band at the hem, with patterns in red, green and blue worked with black to match. Flat tartans, with a black ground, are also fascinating plaid are used for trimmings

Stylish Capes.

Our cut shows one of the capes now so popular reaching to the hips. It is in lawn cloth trimmed with mink and the arrangement of the narrow bands of fur over the collar and pelerine is extremely stylish.

CAPE IN NEW CLOTH

This shape is also much used in velvets capes which, trimmed with the fringe jet and patrick feathers, are quite fashionable for elderly wearers. Shoulder capes and nuns are the fashionable trimmings for cloth and seal skin capes of this fashion.

Green of a dark shade is the tone fade always in certain amount of favor and the attractive is exemplified in a charming little Parisian cloak with deep capes, bound with astrakhan, the hood headed by a similar ming of chenille and gold. A brown vicuna, trimmed with gold has been used for another French shape.

A curious incident happened in Brieux, Switzerland, recently. In drawing names from the jury box for the trial of the third name drawn was that of the murdered man.

Two Valuable Friends.

1 A physician cannot be always at hand, Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Sciatica, Bruises and Burns occur often and some time when least expected Keep handy the friend of many households and the destroyer of all pain the famous Red Flag Oil 25 cents.

2 Many a precious life could be saved that is being racked with pain and death with terrible cough. Don't delay a moment but get relief by investing 25 cents for a bottle of Pan-Tina the great remedy for coughs colds and consumption Trial bottle of Pan Tina free at Frank. R. Foster's.

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—Piles of people have piles, but De-Witt Witch Hazel Salve will cure them. Sold by A. B. Armstrong.

WINTER GARMENTS FOR THE LITTLE ONES

The picture shows some handsome garments for children from ten to twelve years That on the left is a riderdown cloak with reseda down trimming and muff the hat beside of white felt trimmed with black velvet and feathers The next is a dress of cloth with sleeves, yoke and band of astrakhan The third represents a coat of heavy striped velveteen with short pulled shoulder cape of satin or silk with hat to match. The fourth is of cashmere cut princesse with border and bands of velvet.

GOOD HEALTH

THE SLOW HEART

A Somewhat Rare Condition, More Common in Men Than in Women.

A medical authority defines the slow heart as a condition where the beats do not exceed forty or fifty a minute A reaction is traced between large bodies, having in many instances slowness in deliberation of motion and the slow heart It is mentioned that the elephant and the horse have respectively beats per minute. Dr Taylor has found heart-hypertrophy, or slow heart to be present in recording sickness where there was muscular development each liver six feet in height It is more common in males than females, in advanced life It has been found to be related to the condition of the stomach being occasionally present and in persons who are dyspeptic

A number of causes of brachycardia, in strictly diseased states are cited. Among them it is found to be present where there is degeneration of the heart wall pure and simple, or degeneration attendant upon valvular disease, in diseased coronary arteries, causing an imperfect blood supply In fecal diseases after fever when the period of excitement has passed as a result of certain drugs, as tobacco, cocaine aconite nitrate of potash

One of normally slow heart one of the most celebrated is that of Napoleon Bonaparte whose pulse rate, according to Corvisart was under forty beats to the minute

A Simple Water Test.

Into a perfectly clean bottle having a stopper or ground glass put five ounces of the water to be tested. To the water add ten grains (by weight) of pure granulated white sugar (cut tight and set in a window exposed to the light, but not to the direct rays of the sun Do not disturb the bottle and keep the temperature as near 70 deg. Fahrenheit as possible

If the water contains organic matter within it which will in eight hours an abundance of sickness will be seen floating about the bottle and the more organic matter the more abundant will be the sickness. In a week or ten days, if the water has had the color of ruined butter will be noticed on standing, she a upper the little specks will settle to the bottom, where they will appear as white. Such such water should not be used for drinking purposes according to health authorities recommending the following simple test

The Sensibility of Women.

In a singular paper by Professor Lom brose of Turin it is stated that the sensibility of touch and pain is less acute in women than in men This hypothesis is substantiated by recounting numerous experiments and demonstrated by figures. Whether the conclusion arrived at will be generally received is somewhat doubtful It is hardly true in this country at least, that girls have to undergo the tyranny of their lovers and endure the cruel preference of the parents for their male children, or that women are the slaves of their husband and of social prejudices.

Eyes of Different Color

In explification of this curious and rare phenomenon a New York physician tells of the recently observed case of a girl of about fourteen whose eyes were a distinct contrast in color, the right eye being dark hazel and the left light blue Both were perfect in their respective colorings and devoid of any defect in form or size

WET CELLARS.

Damp Cellars Sleep Foul and Noxious Air and Are a Prolific Cause of Disease.

Scarcely anything is more prejudicial to good health than wet cellars. Rheumatism, bronchitis, pneumonia and malarial affections, including neuralgia and sciatica, are some of the dangers to be apprehended. Draining and ventilation and a floor below the basement of the foundation and running, diagonally across the cellar and connecting with the outside drains, and thence leading to the street drain or some low ground is recommended by the Iowa state board of health to be the best and perhaps the only safe way to drain not only the cellar for a foot below the surface but the outlying ground for several feet in all directions from the house.

The drain, while having a free outlet, should furnish no opportunity to put into it anything but what is extracted from the soil. It should never on any conditions connect in connection with sewage, nor receive any kitchen slops or surface water and should be well below the frost line. If possible the cellar floor and the sides of the walls as high as the ground outside should be well cemented. It is well, owing to the great porosity of brick if used for foundation walls, to have intervening layers of cement, so as to prevent as far as possible the upward passage of the water by absorption.

This drain should be laid as far as possible from the well lest in some way its contents should be emptied into the well and contaminate the drinking water The expense of drainage and wise precaution would be a trifle, especially if, by its neglect, such a protracted sickness as the doctor and drug store nurse bills and eventually a funeral, should be prevented.

Pronounced Hopeless, Yet Saved.

From a letter written by Mrs. Ada E Hurd of Groton, S. D., we quote: "Was taken with a bad cold, which settled on my Lungs, cough set in and finally terminated in consumption. Four doctors gave me up saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Saviour, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles; it has cured me and thank God I am now a well and hearty woman." Trial bottles at F. R. Foster's Drug store, regular size, 50c and $1.00.

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AFTERNOON TEA.

A Clearing House for Cards and an Equivalent for a Year's Visiting

Given a tea, and Mrs. Wellmore has shown to all her acquaintances that she desires to see her. She may even thus inform her friend that a son or a daughter is introduced into society Going to the tea Mrs. Arbuckle leaves on the hall table her card and in one of her family The giver of an afternoon tea need not call on her friends after it The person who goes to the tea or sends a card has also discharged her social obligations. This is obtained from highest authorities, affirms Mrs. John Sherwood in Harper's Bazar and among observers of the same subject she has the following to say:

A card is the little envelope which says "Thank you for your hospitality I'm sorry I could come if I could, but I cannot So here is my compliment and my excuse." An afternoon tea is thus a very sensible institution, although much perverted from its original significance It is a party in the daytime It is cheap. Every one enjoys it who can go, excepting gentlemen who hate it as it takes them away from that hour between business and dinner which most men devote to clubs or to rest and no man will go to spoil his appetite for a thin dinner which one does.

If your friend asks you to her daughter's wedding you must call on the bride if your friend asks you to dinner you must call within a week So of a ladies lunch you must call soon An evening party a reception requires a call but a tea does not. Some very complicated sentences in New York never make calls They give a tea, they send cards. A tea is a clearing house for cards. What an immense saving of time and health and strength. Of course all who can go to teas do so as a matter of amusement Having given a tea and asked all the world and his wife and lunches, inviting only a few of your acquaintance and no one

[illegible] leaves her husband a card and has [illegible] daughters who are in society It is very well to economize [illegible] a basket of small cards by having a [illegible] and

Mrs. Wellmore
Miss Wellmore
Miss Wellmore

The cards of the young men of the family must be sent to old

A visit [illegible] to which gives the tea is a call in [illegible] a card left or sent is as good—in the eyes of etiquette—as the call, but the visitor should if she can, return the hospitality by giving a tea herself some time during the season Of course there are many instances where this cannot be done and one should therefore try in some way to show her appreciation of the civility by [illegible] cannot do anything in return or sending her a call to show that she appreciates the civility

If a lady goes to a tea and leaves out an acquaintance it is a cut if a lady receives an invitation and neither calls nor sends a card that is greater incivility, but if she sends a card she has done all that society requires for that year In New York as well as in any city in the daytime when the hostess is in full dress, the young ladies dress lite and the guests in bonnets and street dress. It is rather an anomaly, but it is very agreeable and the fashion.

IN THE DRAWING ROOM

The Convenient "At Home"—The Art of Entertaining Successfully

In times gone by the parlor was, as it is now the best room in the house. But of late years according to English ideas it has been designated as the drawing room At the present day it is an apartment belonging exclusively to the ladies of the household for the walls of which the best authorities tell us that paper of a solid color or small pattern is decidedly preferable Its color should be of a subdued tint [illegible] background for that will show [illegible] and pictures that will adorn [illegible] particular room; Nowadays also, according to Good Housekeeping from which we quote an "At Home" takes the place of old fashioned parties, and although we have the 5 o'clock tea, the muscular and the luncheon yet the At Home meets the requirements of all society people

The invitations should be sent a week in advance When the evening arrives the hostess should be in readiness at the time appointed, standing at the entrance of the drawing room to greet her guests as they enter the room

A good hostess must have the bravery of a general the manners of a diplomat and a perfect knowledge of human nature, besides knowing how to bring congenial people together The shy and diffident should be made her special care, and people of note should not be overlooked. When a collation is served, the servants should be taught their duties and seats should be obtained for those who are unable to stand. A clever story may be rendered, a poem recited or some music be given for a short time only Conversation is the pleasure of all good talkers, and a continual showing of talent is a great bore to every one present. Make every lady at your house a person of consequence, expend for yourself neither glory, admiration nor attention Bring people together who have like ideas and congenial tastes. Never converse more than a few moments with any one person, be attentive to all, and you will have at least acquired the great and true secret of the art of entertaining

A Give Away.

The many hundreds of girl children who are being named Columbia will bear in this name an indication of their age, which it is possible some of them will not relish in the years to come when—well, when they are not as young as they used to be.

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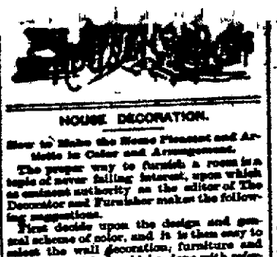


HOUSE DECORATION.

How to Make the Home Pleasant and Artistic in Color and Arrangement.

The proper way to furnish a room is a topic of never failing interest, upon which an eminent authority on the subject of The Decorator and Furnisher makes the following suggestions.

First decide upon the design and general scheme of color, and it is then easy to select the wall decoration, furniture and curtains, which should be done with reference to the original plan and color scheme. The amount of light and the size of the room are perhaps the chief factors in determining its color In rooms facing north the north light, which is whitish to bluish in color, requires it to be decorated in light mimosa tints, ranging from orange yellow to warm red. Rooms with a southern exposure should be decorated in tints ranging from greenish yellow to blue, because the south light has yellow and purple Rooms facing east and west should be decorated in yellow tones, as east and west lights have yellow and purple in their composition.

The character of the rooms themselves often determines their coloring. For example, we may consider the various rooms of the house, beginning with the hall, as the radiating branches of a tree, the hall being the trunk thereof The hall, therefore, should be accentuated with strong dark colors, while the other rooms may range from low, strong tones of the library to the gayest tints of bedrooms and boudoir A good color for the hall would be either a Pompeiian or Damascus red. These reds, having yellow in their composition, will naturally harmonize with the yellows and browns of the woodwork. Other colors, such as the varying tints of dull yellows, russets, browns and tans, are suitable for hall decoration.

In libraries rich hues also are necessary There are, for example, reds, browns, golden greens and orange, goblin blue, sage green and terra cotta. Salmon pink and all light, delicate colors are good for parlors. For dining rooms the warm colors, such as soft reds and browns, are frequently used. We may also use combinations of blue, green and silver, which are cool and refreshing in the daytime and light up brilliantly at night.

The ballroom or drawing room is best decorated in light monochromatic tints, relieved with gold. The purpose of such an apartment is to show off the inmates at their best under artificial light, and the polychromatic dresses of the ladies will appear even more brilliant against a uniform background of cream and gold.

For boudoirs and bedrooms self tones of the softer shades, such as pale reds, pale green and so on, are appropriate, enlivened with gold or silver or their complimentary tones in small masses.

Fashionable Table Linen.

The general disuse into which the colored strip has fallen gives increased opportunity for the display of the finest table linen, than which nothing is more charming. The latest departure for those possessing fine oak tables or really beautiful mahogany consists in using strips of tablecloth for the sides and ends, leaving the center part of the wood uncovered thus displaying its beauty in a well marked oblong. The contrast produced by silver bowls, etc., on the dark wood combined with all the other attributes of a well set table, is very fine indeed, only all the ornaments, candlesticks and other items standing on the wood should be well lined with thick baize on the bottom to prevent scratches.

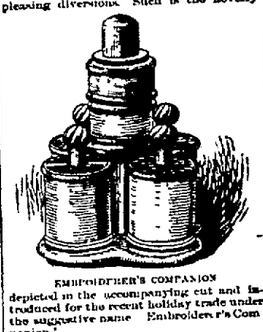
Where such an arrangement is impossible or otherwise undesirable white papery, either quite plain or with woven insertions, prevails, over this a similar strip down the center Lace may be used to great advantage for this purpose, and needless to say, looks very handsome especially with a display of silver which cannot be too profuse. The insertions must show plain white through or some delicate shade to match the rest of the decoration Doilies still remain a matter of taste though always of a very light texture Of course unless white obtains, the choice must depend on the style and coloring of the plates on which they are to lie

A Cabinet Pudding.

One-fourth pound of butter and 1¼ pounds of granulated sugar beaten into a cream add the well beaten yolks of five eggs one-half cupful of milk then half a pound of flour with the whites of five eggs, lastly half a pound of seeded and chopped raisins with a quarter of a pound of well washed and dried currants the fruit must be floured before mixing Line a buttered mold or a floured bag but three hours then plunge suddenly into cold water turn it out at once to prevent sticking Serve hot with sweet sauce.

A Novelty in Silver.

The silversmith's ingenuity is severely taxed by the constant and increasing demand for novelties in the precious metals. So generously has this demand been supplied that it is now quite practicable to find articles decorative and artistic representing exceedingly prosaic pursuits—luxurious conveniences that render homely duties pleasing diversions. Such is the novelty



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depicted in the accompanying cut and introduced for the recent holiday trade under the suggestive name Embroiderer's Companion."

It is of sterling silver and consists of a stand on which are grouped five hollow spindles, four of which are mounted with tested tops, the fifth and central one terminating with a cap on which to fit a thimble. These spindles have a twofold use, being at once and the same time needle cases and spool holders. When fitted out with spools of colored silks, which is pleasing contrast with the silver mounting, the embroiderer's companion appeals irresistibly to the feminine taste. With such a convenience the making of buttonholes becomes a recreation and embroidery a positive delight.

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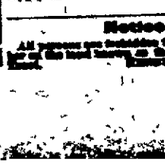

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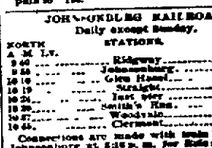

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